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Title: Annotation Management in a Pen-Based Computing System

**REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

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1                   INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

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3       This current Reply is responsive to a current and Final Office Action dated  
4       03/30/2007. In this current Office Action, pending claims 1-4, 6-14, and 16-32  
5       were examined, and all pending claims were rejected.

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7       Claims 10 and 29 are canceled by this Reply, and claims 33-36 are added.  
8       Hence, claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-14, 16-28, and 30-36 are now presented for  
9       examination.